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STATUS INQUIRY

A Notice of Appeal and a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review were filed on October 3, 2006 for this application. A Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review mailed on December 6, 2006 stated the rejection was withdrawn and a new Office Action will be mailed. No further communication has been received from the U.S. Patent Office to date.

Please advise Applicants' undersigned representative of the status of this application.

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